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6 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
7 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**
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9 Ksenya V Verse,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 Paul Douglas Scott, et al.,

13 Defendants.
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No. CV-25-01581-PHX-KML

ORDER

15 On May 16, 2025, the court dismissed all claims against defendants James Knapp
16 and the State Bar of Arizona. (Doc. 9.) The court also dismissed all federal claims against
17 the two other defendants, Paul Douglas Scott and Greg R. Davis. Those dismissals left only
18 state-law claims against Scott and Davis. Because it was possible the court would decline
19 to exercise supplemental jurisdiction over those claims, the court ordered plaintiff Ksenya
20 V. Verse to file a supplement identifying the citizenships of Scott and Davis. Verse's
21 supplement states both Scott and Davis are citizens of Arizona. (Doc. 10.)

22 Diversity jurisdiction requires "each of the plaintiffs . . . be a citizen of a different
23 state than each of the defendants." *Morris v. Princess Cruises, Inc.*, 236 F.3d 1061, 1067
24 (9th Cir. 2001). Verse, Scott, and Davis are all citizens of Arizona, so diversity jurisdiction
25 does not exist. And having dismissed the federal claims, the court must decide whether to
26 exercise its supplemental jurisdiction. The Supreme Court recently reiterated that when, as
27 here, "federal law is not where the real action is," "the court may (and indeed, ordinarily
28 should) kick the case to state court." *Royal Canin U. S. A., Inc. v. Wullschleger*, 604 U.S.

1 22, 32 (2025). If Verse wishes to assert state-law claims against citizens of Arizona, she
2 must do so in state court.

3 **IT IS ORDERED** the complaint is **DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE**. The
4 Clerk of Court shall enter a judgment without prejudice and close this case.

5 Dated this 23rd day of May, 2025.

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9 **Honorable Krissa M. Lanham**
10 **United States District Judge**
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